

Topical Heading

Disability and Rehabilitation Research

Program Title

National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR)

Also Known as

NIDRR

CFDA # (or ED #)

84.133

Administering Office

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

Who May Apply (by category)

Individuals, Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs), Nonprofit Organizations, Other Organizations and/or Agencies

Who May Apply (specifically)

States, public or private agencies—including for-profit agencies, Indian tribes, and tribal organizations—may apply.

Current Competitions

See the individual NIDRR programs (CFDA # 84.133A and # 84.133B, # 84.133D through # 84.133G, # 84.133N, and # 84.133P), also under the topical heading “Disability and Rehabilitation Research,” for information on specific competitions. No competitions are held under this generic NIDRR program heading.

Type of Assistance (by category)

Discretionary/Competitive Grants, Contracts, Cooperative Agreements

Type of Assistance (specifically)

Fellowships are also available.

Appropriations

Fiscal Year 2004 \$106,652,018

Fiscal Year 2005 \$107,782,784

Fiscal Year 2006 \$106,705,170

Fiscal Year 2006 Awards Information

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Number of New Awards Anticipated: See individual programs for details.

Legislative Citation

Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, Title II; 29 *U.S.C.* 762–764.

Program Regulations

EDGAR; 34 *CFR* 350

Program Description

The primary purpose of NIDRR is to carry out a program of research and related activities designed to maximize the full inclusion, employment, independent living, and economic sufficiency of individuals with disabilities, with particular emphasis on improving the effectiveness of services authorized under the *Rehabilitation Act*. NIDRR focuses on applied research, such as: (1) the transfer of rehabilitation technology to individuals with disabilities; (2) widespread distribution of practical scientific and technological information in usable formats; and (3) identification of effective strategies to enhance opportunities for individuals with disabilities to engage in productive work and live independently.

Types of Projects

NIDRR funds are used to support rehabilitation research, demonstration projects, and related activities, including the training of persons who provide rehabilitation services or who conduct rehabilitation research. In addition, NIDRR supports projects to disseminate and promote the use of information concerning developments in rehabilitation procedures, methods, and devices. NIDRR also supports data analyses of the demographics of individuals with disabilities.

Education Level (by category)

All ages.

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Links to Related Web Sites

<http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/nidrr/index.html>